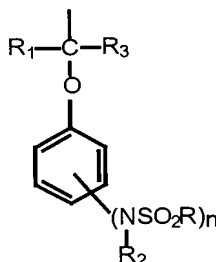


wherein

X is hydrogen or a group that can be split off by the reaction of the coupler with an oxidised colour developing agent, and

one of Y and Z is the group



wherein

each R is independently an unsubstituted or substituted alkyl or aryl group or a 5-10 membered heterocyclic ring which contains one or more heteroatoms selected from nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which ring is unsubstituted or substituted;

R<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen or an unsubstituted or substituted alkyl or aryl group,

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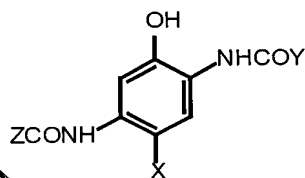
R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen or an unsubstituted or substituted alkyl or aryl group,

n is 1 or 2, and each group -N(R<sub>2</sub>)SO<sub>2</sub>R is in the ortho or para position,

the other of Y and Z is a fluoro-substituted alkyl group or an unsubstituted or substituted aryl group or a 5-10 membered heterocyclic ring which contains one or more heteroatoms selected from nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, which ring is unsubstituted or substituted, provided that (a) when R<sub>2</sub> is an unsubstituted benzyl group, n is 1 and -N(R<sub>2</sub>)SO<sub>2</sub>R is in the ortho position, R may not be a pyridyl group, and (b) at least one of R, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, X and Y or Z is or includes a ballast group.

(new) An element as claimed in claim 1 wherein R, R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are independently an unsubstituted or substituted alkyl group.

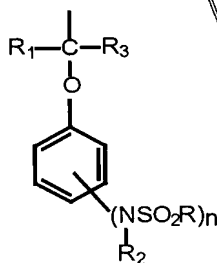
14. A photographic element comprising at least one silver halide emulsion layer having associated therewith a phenolic cyan dye-forming coupler of formula (I)



(I)

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15. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein R, R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> are independently an unsubstituted or substituted alkyl group.

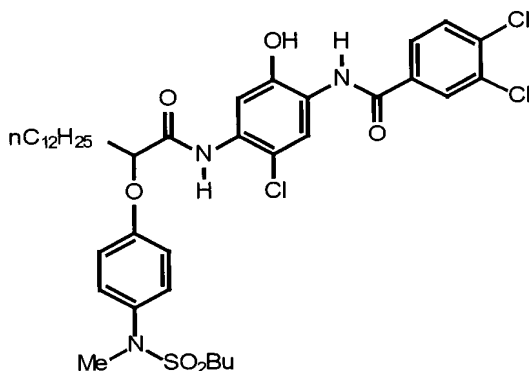
16. An element as claimed in claim 15 wherein each of R and R<sub>2</sub> is a lower alkyl group.
17. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein R<sub>1</sub> is an alkyl group having at least 8 carbon atoms.
18. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen.

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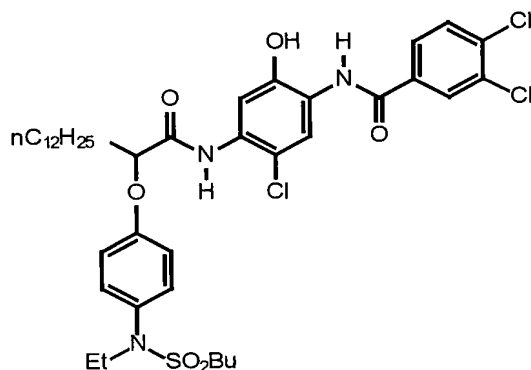
19. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein n is 1 and the group -N(R<sub>2</sub>)SO<sub>2</sub>R is in the para position.

20. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein the group Z contains the -N(R<sub>2</sub>)SO<sub>2</sub>R substituent and the group Y is an unsubstituted or substituted aryl group.

21. An element as claimed in claim 13 wherein the cyan dye-forming coupler has the structure

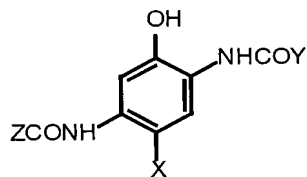


22. An element as claimed in claim 14 wherein the cyan dye-forming coupler has the structure



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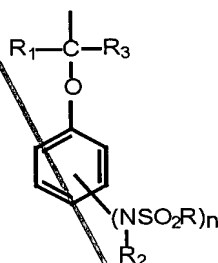
23. A multicolour photographic element comprising a support bearing yellow, magenta and cyan image-dye-forming units comprising at least one blue-, green- or red-sensitive silver halide emulsion layer having associated therewith at least one yellow, magenta or cyan dye-forming coupler respectively, wherein the element comprises at least one cyan dye-forming coupler of formula (I)



(I)

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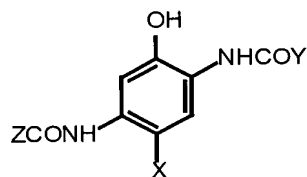


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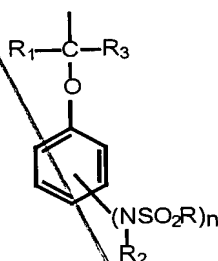
24. A process of forming an image in a photographic element after the element has been imagewise exposed to light, comprising contacting the element with a colour developing agent, the element comprising at least one silver halide emulsion layer having associated therewith a phenolic cyan dye-forming coupler of formula (I)



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